

March 4th, 2020 6:00 P.M. City Council Chambers

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 6:03pm by Chairperson Wes Sharp and on roll call the following members were present:

Marty Miller Rene Soldwisch Wes Sharp

Members not present: Jim Sullivan, Bill Mettee

Also present: Charlie Dissell, Cortney Marmon, Tim Little, Bryan Jackson 606 N Kenwood

The minutes of the November 6th, 2019 meeting were approved on a motion by Rene Soldwisch seconded by Marty Miller. On voice vote: All ayes.

Consider request from Courtney Jackson for a variance under the terms of Section 165.35 (3) of the Code of Ordinances of Indianola, Iowa, to permit the existing placement of an accessory structure at 606 North Kenwood Blvd, to which if allowed as requested, would not be in conformity with the requirements of Section 165.10 (2) of the Code of Ordinances of Indianola, Iowa. A variance is requested to allow the existing shed to remain in the side yard

Chairperson Sharp presented the facts of this request for variance to the Board.

Mr. Jackson stood to speak regarding his request for the variance stating that he is unable put shed in backyard due to the very small size of the backyard, and with how wet the backyard is in the spring. He also stated he currently has electricity ran to the shed.

Chairman Sharp asked staff if the front of the house starts at the garage, as the garage sticks out to the front a little more than the house. Mr. Little confirmed the front of the house begins at the garage.

Mr. Little reiterated that there is little to no backyard for the shed to be placed in, and even if it were further back to the east, it would still be in the side yard and require a variance to comply.

Mr. Dissell agreed with Mr. Littles assessment, but informed the Board they do have the authority to conditionally approve a request if they feel it should be further back in the side yard.

Mr. Jackson said they plan on painting the shed to match the house this year.

Mr. Dissell noted the Board could also add a condition of approval that the shed be painted to match the house.

Chairman Sharp noted he was in favor of the request and did not think it was necessary to direct the appellant to paint their shed a certain color.

Mr. Dissell informed the board that an e-mail correspondence had been received, a copy of that correspondence was included for each Board member in the dais, and that correspondence would be filed into the record

Motion was made by Marty Miller to approve request from Courtney Jackson for a variance under the terms of Section 165.35 (3) of the Code of Ordinances of Indianola, Iowa, to permit the existing placement of an accessory structure at 606 North Kenwood Blvd, to which if allowed as requested, would not be in conformity with the requirements of Section 165.10 (2) of the Code of Ordinances of Indianola, Iowa. A variance is requested to allow the existing shed to remain in the side yard. This motion was seconded by Rene Soldwisch.

On voice vote: All ayes. Motion to approve the variance request was carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 6:13pm

Wes Sharp, Chairperson

Charles Dissell